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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 7025

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PO

SUBJ: PARATROOP MUTINY: SITREP NO. SEVEN

1. AT 7:30 PM ARMY CAPTAIN DURAN CLEMENTE APPEARED ON LISBON TELEVISION. CLEMENTE WAS MEMBER OF NOW-DEFUNCT 5TH DIVISION (AGITPROP) AND FORMER SPOKESMAN OF AFM ASSEMBLY. APPEARING IN BATTLE DRESS CLEMENTE NERVOUSLY READ BRIEF COMMUNIQUE FROM METAL WORKERS UNION. COMMUNIQUE CALLED FOR GENERAL STRIKE; APPEALED FOR EVERYONE TO TAKE TO THE STREETS; CALLED FOR GATHERINGS AT MILITARY BARRACKS; AND VIOLENTLY ATTACKED RECENTLY-DECREED STATE OF EMERGENCY. CLEMENTE CONCLUDED HIS APPEAL WITH ULTRA-LEFT/PCP SLOGAN "VICTORY IS DIFFICULT BUT IS OURS." CLEMENTE ALSO SAID THAT ATTEMPTS WERE BEING MADE TO SILENCE RTP TRANSMITTERS. AFTER HE SPOKE AFM SYMBOL APPEARED ON SCREEN, FOLLOWED SHORTLY BY SOVIET-STYLE BALLET.

2. AT 7:40 PM EMBASSY LEARNED FROM THOROUGHLY RELIABLE
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SOURCE THAT COMMANDOS HAVE SURROUNDED RADICAL MILITARY POLICE UNIT

PROTECTING RTP TRANSMITTORES IN LISBON'S MONSANTO
PARK. MILITARY POLICE HAVE BEEN GIVEN FIFTEEN MINUTES TO
SURRENDER AND ARE ISSUING CALLS FOR HELP. RADIO CLUBE
PORTUGUES IS BROADCASTING A BULLETIN TO THIS EFFECT.
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